

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-16**

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA APPROVING THE CODESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF WEST 77 STREET, BETWEEN WEST 4 COURT AND WEST 12 AVENUE, HIALEAH, FLORIDA, AS "ROLANDO BLANCO WAY" IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND DEDICATION OF ROLANDO BLANCO TO THE CITY OF HIALEAH AND ITS RESIDENTS, WITH THE COST OF SIGNAGE TO BE PAID BY THE CITY.

**WHEREAS**, the codesignation of that portion of West 77 Street, between West 4 Court and West 12 Avenue, as "ROLANDO BLANCO WAY", presently unnamed, is in honor and memory of the outstanding life and contributions of Rolando Blanco (4/18/1938-10/4/2007); and

**WHEREAS**, Rolando Blanco was born in Cienfuegos, Cuba and fled to the United States with his family in 1979, after spending several years as a political prisoner; and

**WHEREAS**, Rolando Blanco was a proud resident of the City of Hialeah for over 35 years, and is loved by Hialeah residents for his invaluable service and dedication to his community; and

**WHEREAS**, Rolando Blanco was known as both a brilliant businessman whose skills and vision created hundreds of jobs in the Hialeah community, and a fierce political activist who was a supporter, advisor, and mentor for several past and present political leaders at the local, state, and national level; and

**WHEREAS**, Rolando Blanco was a philanthropist who was a member of various non-profit organizations including the American Cancer Society, Lioris Home for the Blind, the Miami Cuban Lions Club, and the *Centro Hispano Catolico*; and

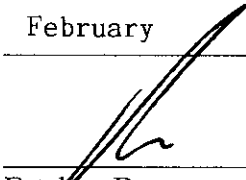
**WHEREAS**, during his lifetime, Rolando Blanco received numerous commendations and awards from our communities' top leaders, including the "Melvis Jones" Award from the Lions Club International, the "Plato Executive Citation" from Miami-Dade County for his work helping children, minorities, and the elderly, and the declaration of "Rolando Blanco Day" by the City of Hialeah and several other municipalities; and

**WHEREAS,** the Historic Preservation Board recommended approval of this resolution on February 13, 2008.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

**Section 1:** The portion of West 77 Street, between West 4 Court and West 12 Avenue, Hialeah, Florida, presently unnamed, is hereby codesignated as "Rolando Blanco Way", and shall be known as such from this day forward, with the costs of signage to be paid by the City.

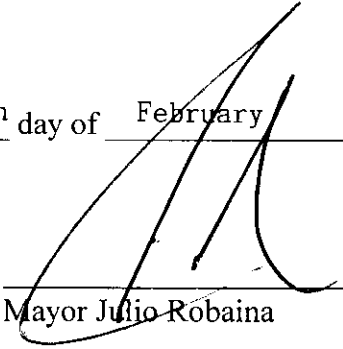
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of February, 2008.

  
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Esteban Bovo  
Council President

Attest:

Approved on this 28th day of February, 2008.

  
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Rafael E. Granado  
City Clerk

  
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Mayor Julio Robaina

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:

  
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William M. Grodnick  
City Attorney

This is corrected Resolution 08-16. A scrivener's error was reported at the City Council meeting of April 22, 2008.

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Resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote with Councilmembers Bovo, Caragol, Casals-Muñoz, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez, and Yedra voting "Yes".